

137th MAINTENANCE SQUADRON

LINEAGE

STATIONS

Oklahoma City, OK

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

Cpt Robert Dunham

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

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OPERATIONS

Provide mission capable aircraft on a global scale, with a commitment to excellence through training and teamwork.

A new organization was authorized for the Kansas Air National Guard to be located in Wichita, Kansas. Alongside the 127th Fighter Bomber Squadron, effective 26 May 1953.

This new organization was designated the 137th Maintenance and Supply Group, consisting of the 137th Maintenance Squadron, 137th Supply Squadron, and the 137th Motor Vehicle Squadron. (all under the same authority as above). Prior to receiving federal recognition of this new group for Kansas, the group was part of the Oklahoma Air National Guard and served on active duty during the Korean emergency as a part of the 137th Fighter Bomber Wing.

The 137th Maintenance and Supply Group was organized from a nucleus of 6 Officers and 67 Airmen and was commanded by Maj Carl L. Boggs. After attaining strength of 20 officers and 276 Airmen the primary mission of the group was to establish priorities for allocation of maintenance, supplies and transportation to the 137th Fighter Bomber Wing, based at Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma.

Commanding the 137th Maintenance Squadron was 1Lt David R. Britton, Jr., Captain Anthony A. Leis commanded the 137th Supply Squadron and 1st Lt James D. Fair, Jr. commanded the 137th Motor Vehicle Squadron. Also attached to the 127th was the 127th Forecasting and Observing Flight (Weather), commanded by Capt Robert J. Sauer.

Effective 1 July 1955, Maj Edward R. Fry was in charge of the State Headquarters, Kansas Air National Guard, which was responsible for the efficient operation of the 127th Fighter Bomber Squadron, SE, Conventional, (Augmented) and the 137th Maintenance and Supply Group.

Maj Robert M. Kelley assumed command of the 137th Maintenance Squadron from 1st Lt David R. Britton, Jr. on 28 September 1953.

Capt Leo D. Myer assumed command of the 137th Motor Vehicle Squadron from 1st Lt James D. Fair, Jr., on 20 November 1953.

Maj Donald W. Coulson, Commander. 127th was promoted to Lt Col. 2 March 1954.

On 14 April 1954, the 127th Weather Flight was redesignated the 127th Weather Flight Limited Forecasting-Observing.

On 1 July 1955, the unit was redesignated and reorganized as the 127th Fighter-Interceptor Squadron

The same date also marked the change of the Weather Flight to the 127th Weather Flight (Limited Forecasting-Observation), the same authority as above. The 137th maintenance Squadron was redesignated the 137th Field Maintenance Squadron, also with the same authority as above.

On 27 August 1956, Lt Col Delmer J. Essmyer, assumed command of the 137th Maintenance and Supply Group.

Effective 1 October 1956, the 137th Motor Vehicle Squadron, was changed to the 137th Transportation Squadron.

Captain Joseph C. Lukens assumed command of the 137th Supply Squadron effective 21 January 1957.

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